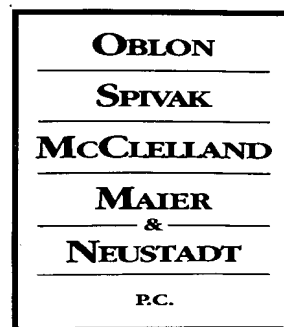


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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/511,706  
Applicants: Norimasa FURUKAWA  
Filing Date: October 15, 2004  
For: BACKLIGHT, BACKLIGHT DRIVE DEVICE, AND  
DISPLAY DEVICE  
Group Art Unit: 2875  
Examiner: REHM, ADAM C.

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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AMENDMENT (37 C.F.R. §1.121)**

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In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121), it is respectfully submitted that the Amendment filed on October 15, 2004 was not an Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, but was instead an English translation of an Article 19 Amendment under 35 U.S.C. § 371(c)(3). The Applicant notes that the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 set forth in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment do not apply to an Article 19 Amendment.


The Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the courtesy of Examiner Rehm to discuss the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment with the Applicant's representative by telephone on February 7, 2007. During the discussion, Examiner Rehm indicated that he understood the Applicant's position, that the English translation Article 19 Amendment would be entered, and that an Office Action treating the amended claims on the merits would be forthcoming.

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Consequently, in view of the foregoing discussion, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for examination. An early and favorable action is therefore respectfully requested.

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